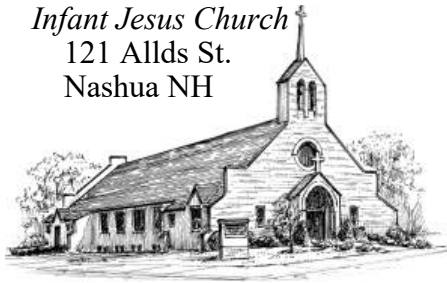
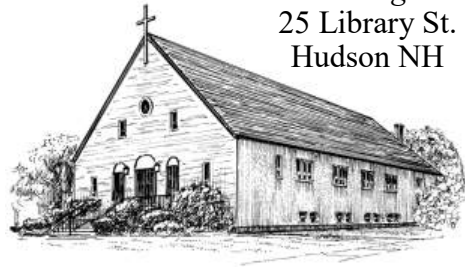


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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 PM	SJE Church
	6:00 PM	IJ Church
	7:30 PM	Portuguese Mass—IJ
Sunday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
	10:30 AM	IJ Church

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Wednesday	8:30 AM	SJE Church
Thursday	8:30 AM	IJ Church
Friday	8:30 AM	SJE Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30 PM
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Mass Intentions

Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

IJ 7:30 PM

Sunday

SJE 8:30 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

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Saturday

SJE 4:00 PM

IJ 6:00 PM

IJ 7:30 PM

Sunday

SJE 8:30 AM

IJ 10:30 AM

May 18

Daniel Bolton
by his family
Fernande Lavoie
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne
Mass in Portuguese

May 19 Pentecost

John Casey by the family
Paul Charron
by his family

May 21

Noel Dube 14th Ann.

May 22

All Souls Intentions

May 23

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May 24

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May 25

Mary Doyle
by the family
Lorette Lavoie
by The Ladies of Ste. Anne
Mass in Portuguese

May 26 Trinity Sunday

Al Charest by a friend
Sandra Houle
by her family

PARISH PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

We invite you to enter your prayer requests in our Intention Books located at the main entrance of both churches. These intentions are remembered in the "Prayer of the Faithful" at all of our Masses.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

This weekend, May 18 & 19 is the annual collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. 50% of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Manchester to fund local communications. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! Visit catholicNH.org/cc



Weekly Readings May 20– May 26, 2024

Monday Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7
Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday Jas 4:1-10 Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23 Mk 9:30-3

Wednesday Jas 4:13-17 Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11 Mk 9:38-40

Thursday Jas 5:1-6 Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20 Mk 9:41-50

Friday Jas 5:9-12 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12 Mk 10:1-12

Saturday Jas 5:13-20 Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8 Mk 10:13-16

Sunday Dt 4:32-34, 39-40 Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 Rom 8:14-17 Mt 28:16-20

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week Ending ~ May 11 & 12, 2024	
Adult Envelopes (45)	\$1,586.00
WeShare (Online Giving) (47)	\$690.00
Loose Cash	\$510.00
Offertory Total:	\$2,786.00
Debt Reduction	\$185.00
Ascension	\$180.00
<i>May our loving God bless you for your continued generosity!</i>	

Saint John XXIII Parish

PENTECOST REFLECTION

We see and hear and all but feel the tremendous power of towering rockets aimed for long travel in space when we watch TV coverage of a launch from Cape Canaveral. This has happened so often that our initial fascination with this has waned considerably. We now have a country-wide “yawn” when such launchings happen since we’ve seen so many. Yet the fearsome power displays remain.

The Pentecost event involves divine power. It marks a departure from the usual quiet ways of God, if only for the duration of that wind that filled the house where the timid Apostles were hiding out. The fiery tongues over their heads were another frightening feature. We know the story well. Even more memorable was that reversal of Babylon when suddenly, many languages were heard and understood by everyone in the crowd that gathered outside.

The Holy Spirit made His case dramatically for sure. The worldwide Church of Christ was being born. It did so with a wonderful kind of power, the miraculous kind.

But the quieter and more customary pattern for divine appearances reappears when Christ reappears to His chosen on Easter evening, recorded for us in John’s gospel excerpt for today. Jesus appears on to them suddenly but quietly, in a room with locked doors.

What an occasion for reprimand, were Jesus so inclined. He would have been entitled to same if He wanted to bring up their cowardly conduct 48 hours previous when they had mostly fled from Him. Young John was the sole and glorious exception who had stayed at the foot of the cross with the sorrowful Mother and her friends.

Instead, Jesus offers a gentle benediction; “Peace be with you.” The disciples went from rejection to rejoicing. A foretaste of the warm reception we can experience when we make a good sacramental confession. There follows that humble display of the scars left on His hands and side from the horror of Roman crucifixion. Then His commissioning of them to preach and forgive sins.

All this power in its gentle form continues to be poured out into our enduring Church. That should encourage us to fulfill our responsibility to evangelize in the 21st century. We live now in a world that doesn’t care much for the message of Jesus even though it’s the only one replete with the truth that sets one free. Modern man will not easily dismount from his high horse of accepting only scientific truth as real. We know that. We also know that it is not an easy mission. But it never has been, right from the beginning. Even Jesus had to face opposition. So, dare we hope for less? Yet we have the conviction of its power when we simply consider Jesus’ empty tomb and the definitive statement it makes about who wins in the end. Just don’t look for praise because you won’t often receive it.

One Sunday morning after Mass a woman came up to the pastor and thanked him for his encouraging homily that day. In response, the priest said, “Why, don’t thank me, thank the Lord.” She then replied, “Well, I thought of that, but it was not quite that good Father. Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

HELP WANTED WITH WEBSITE FOR CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD PANTRY

Corpus Christi Food Pantry & Assistance is looking for a volunteer that can help maintain our website. Major focus is to post monthly updates, for example the holiday schedules. Additionally, some improvements needed to be made to the website. If you or you know someone who would be interested in helping with our website, please send email to Diana Lavash at dlavash@yahoo.com

UNITED WAY –JUNE COFFEE & CAUSES

CARING FOR YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

You are invited to join United Way of Greater Nashua Friday, June 7, 2024, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM, at the Merrimack Public Library for our June Coffee and Causes event. Our June focus is on "Caring for Your Mental Health." Explore the impactful initiatives of the New Hampshire chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention as they work towards eliminating the loss of life from suicide through innovative prevention programs, public education, fundraising for suicide research, and providing support for those affected by suicide. Additionally, learn about the comprehensive and affordable services for mental health and substance use disorders offered by Greater Nashua Mental Health, a nonprofit community health center. They aim to support individuals and families in leading satisfying and productive lives. Location: Merrimack Public Library, 470 Daniel Webster Highway, Merrimack, NH. Register: <https://tinyurl.com/Jun-Coffee> or contact United Way at info@unitedwaynashua.org or (603)882-4011.

CARING FOR LOVED ONES WITH DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Are you navigating the challenges of caring for someone with dementia? Catholic Charities NH invites you to our upcoming online support group, "Caring for Loved Ones with Dementia," starting Tuesday, June 11. Join us each week from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. for a five-week series that provides a compassionate space to connect with others in similar situations. Gain valuable insights into dementia care and access practical tools to enhance the quality of life for your loved ones. Participation is free. For more details or to sign up, visit www.cc-nh.org/dementia, call Louise at 603-752-1325, ext. 4573, or email lmorneau@nh-cc.org.

NASHUA VOLUNTEER FAIR

Discover the power of giving back at the Greater Nashua Volunteer Fair on May 22nd, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm at the Chandler Wing of the Nashua Public Library located at 2 Court Street. Join us for an evening of exploration and inspiration as we bring together over 40 local nonprofits eager to share their missions and opportunities for community involvement. Whether you're a seasoned volunteer or new to the idea, come learn how you can make a difference in the lives of others and in our community. Don't miss this chance to connect, discover, and embark on a journey of meaningful service. See you at the fair! Visit nashualibrary.org/volunteerfair for more information.

2024 NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are grateful to all our parishioners who have given to the New Hampshire Catholic Appeal. As of today, our parishioners have raised **\$2,970.00** toward our goal of **\$33,463.00**. 100% of the funds raised above this Appeal goal are returned to our parish this year. If you have not made your gift yet, please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend or make your gift online at www.catholicnh.org/nhca. Extra gift envelopes are available in the pews. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our parish goal. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.

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